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Statement of plague on the Pacific coast from date of outbreak May, 1907—Continued.

SEATTLE, WASH.

	Plague rats.	Human plague.	
		Cases.	Deaths.
1907.			
October.....	1	3	3
November.....	0	0	0
December.....	3	0	0
1908.			
January.....	1	0	0
February.....	0	0	0
March.....	3	0	0
April.....	1	0	0
May.....	2	0	0
June.....	0	0	0
July.....	9	0	0
August.....	0	0	0
September.....	1	0	0
Total (1907-8).....	21	3	3

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Reports from San Francisco, Cal.—Plague-prevention work at San Francisco, Oakland, and Point Richmond, and in Alameda and Contra Costa counties, Cal.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Blue reports:

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Week ended November 14.

Last case of human plague.....	Sickened, January 30, 1908
Sick inspected.....	11
Plague.....	0
Dead inspected.....	103
Plague.....	0
Necropsies held.....	2
Premises inspected.....	12, 214
Houses disinfected.....	43
Buildings condemned.....	11
Nuisances abated.....	991
Rats found dead.....	137
Rats trapped.....	2, 384
Total rats taken.....	2, 521
Rats identified:	
Mus norvegicus.....	1, 481
Mus rattus.....	76
Mus musculus.....	883
Total.....	2, 440
Poisons placed.....	89, 831
Shipping permits issued.....	5
Rats examined bacteriologically.....	1, 352
Plague rats.....	0

OAKLAND, CAL.

Week ended November 7.

Dead inspected.....	27
Plague.....	0
Necropsies held.....	1
Rats trapped.....	224
Rats examined bacteriologically.....	224
Plague rats.....	0
Mice trapped.....	2
Mice examined bacteriologically.....	2
Plague mice.....	0

POINT RICHMOND, CAL.

Premises inspected.....	535
Nuisances abated.....	25
Rats found dead.....	25
Rats trapped.....	50
Rats examined bacteriologically.....	36
Plague rats.....	0
Poisons placed.....	21, 200

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY, CAL.

Squirrels caught.....	42
Squirrels examined bacteriologically.....	42
Plague squirrels.....	0

ALAMEDA COUNTY, CAL.

Sick inspected.....	11
Plague.....	0
Dead inspected.....	51
Plague.....	0
Necropsies held.....	1

Further relative to plague-infected rat found at Oakland—Sanitary measures adopted.

Doctor Blue further reports, November 18:

On the finding of a plague rat in Webster street, Oakland [see Public Health Reports, November 13, 1908, page 1640] the block and vicinity were inspected and conditions were found to be very insanitary. In all, 3 plague rats and 1 human case of plague have been found near this locality in Chinatown. The human case occurred November 3, 1907, in Fourth street. The plague-infected rats were found as follows:

Third street.....	February 20, 1908
Third street.....	February 29, 1908
Webster street.....	October 30, 1908

On request the city health officer of Oakland employed 3 laborers to work under service inspector. The work was done with a view to finding out how far the plague infection extended. The floors of many insanitary stables, warehouses, and dwellings were taken up and a search was made. Many old rats cadavers and evidence that a large rat population existed were found. A thorough inspection service of that portion of Oakland will be maintained and Chinatown thoroughly cleaned.